

Republic of the Philippines Supreme Court Office of the Court Administrator Manila

OCA CIRCULAR NO. 42-2017

TO

THE COURT OF APPEALS, SANDIGANBAYAN, COURT OF TAX APPEALS, REGIONAL TRIAL COURTS, SHARI'A DISTRICT COURTS, METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURTS, MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURTS IN CITIES, MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURTS, MUNICIPAL CIRCUIT TRIAL COURTS, SHARI'A CIRCUIT COURTS, THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF STATE PROSECUTOR, PUBLIC ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND THE

INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT:

SUSPENSION OF ATTY. SERGIO F. ANGELES FROM THE

PRACTICE OF LAW FOR ONE (1) YEAR

For your information and guidance, quoted hereunder is the Resolution dated 3 October 2016 of the First Division in Administrative Case No. 7470, entitled "Mario Samson, Milagros Francisco, et al. v. Atty. Sergio F. Angeles," to wit:

The Court resolves to *NOTE* the Notice of Resolution No. XX-2013-173 dated November 30, 2013 of the Board of Governors of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines which adopted and approved the report and recommendation of the Investigating Commissioner and suspended respondent Atty. Sergio F. Angeles from the practice of law for one (1) year for violation of the rule on conflict of interest and unethical behavior in his dealings with complainants, particularly Rule 15.03 of Canon 15 of the Code of Professional Responsibility, transmitted by letter dated June 20, 2014 of Director Dominic C.M. Solis, Integrated Bar of the Philippines' Commission on Bar Discipline, together with the records and the compact disc/containing the PDF file of the case.

The Court resolves to **ADOPT** and **APPROVE** the recommendation of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines' Board of Governors in the Notice of Resolution No. XX-2013-173 dated November 30, 2013 (Annex "A") which adopted and approved the report and recommendation of the Investigating Commissioner. Accordingly, respondent Atty. Sergio F. Angeles is **SUSPENDED** from the practice of law for one (1) year effective from notice hereof, for violation of the rule on

conflict of interest and unethical behavior in his dealings with complainants, particularly Rule 15.03 of Canon 15 of the Code of Professional Responsibility.

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